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Diesel Emissions Testing Requirement Ends in Bernalillo County

Albuquerque, NM—Beginning on Monday September 12th, 2016, Bernalillo County diesel vehicles will no longer be required to undergo emissions testing prior to renewing vehicle registration. This is a result of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Air Quality Control Board unanimously voting to repeal diesel vehicle emissions testing requirements on August 10, 2016.

The City of Albuquerque Environmental Health Department Air Quality Program estimates that approximately 9,500 diesel vehicle emissions tests have been conducted since the program was first expanded to include diesel vehicles in January of 2013. Vehicle owners who paid for an emissions test on a diesel vehicle since that time are eligible for reimbursement of the average diesel emissions test cost of \$25.00. Vehicle owners who paid more for their diesel emissions test can request the full amount paid, however proof of purchase will be required.

To start the refund process, owners who paid for a test can go to www.cabq.gov/reimbursement-request-list or call 505-764-1110 to provide contact information and a vehicle identification number.

The reimbursement request period begins on September 12, 2016 and continues through December 31, 2016. Once verified reimbursements will be mailed no later than May 2017.

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